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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

1-20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) A rail mounted drawer, comprising:

a drawer body having, a bottom plate, a drawer front plate, first and second side plates that oppose one another, and a drawer back plate opposing said drawer front plate;

said bottom plate, said first and second side plates, said back plate defining a drawer opening through which items are placed into said drawer body for storage, said first and second side plates each having upper and lower side plate edges;

said drawer body having a longitudinal direction extending between said drawer front plate to said drawer back plate, a lateral direction extending between said first and second side plates, and a vertical direction extending between said upper and lower side plate edges;

said first and second side plates respectively having first and second side plate outer surfaces that are on an exterior of the drawer body and extend substantially a

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length of said drawer, and extend vertically between the upper edge to the lower edge of respective ones of said first and second side plates;

each of said first and second side plate outer surfaces having protrusions integrally formed with said first and second side plates, said protrusions including at least one upper protrusion and at least one lower protrusion extending in the lateral direction outward from said first and second side plate outer surfaces;

first and second rails which are non-integral with said first and second side plates, and are attached to said first and second side plates; and

each of said first and second rails being respectively mounted to a side plate surface corresponding to a respective one of said first and second side plate outer surfaces, each of said first and second rails comprising:

a spanning member portion having an inner spanning surface extending in the longitudinal and the vertical directions and disposed facing and displaced from said side plate surface, said inner spanning surface extending between a top spanning member edge and a bottom spanning member edge;

a flange member extending from said bottom spanning member edge in said lateral direction inwardly toward said side plate surface, said flange member having an upper flange surface engaged by said at least one upper protrusion and a lower flange surface engaged by said at least one lower

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protrusion such that said flange member is between said upper and lower protrusions in the vertical direction;

said at least one upper protrusion being elongated in a substantially vertical direction and having an outer substantially vertically extending edge engaging said inner spanning surface along a direction extending upward from said upper flange surface so as to position said inner spanning member surface displaced from said side plate surface;

a rail guide flange extending outwardly from said top spanning member edge in said lateral direction away from said side plate surface, said rail guide flange having a guide flange lower surface being configured to engage a support member supporting said rail mounted drawer via said rail guide flange; and

said flange member and said rail guide flange being displaced apart in the vertical direction a distance that is spanned by said spanning member.

22. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 21, wherein said at least one upper protrusion is displaced from said at least one lower protrusion in the longitudinal direction such that said at least one upper protrusion does not

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overlap said at least one lower protrusion in the vertical direction, and said at least one upper protrusion engages a first contact area of said upper flange surface that is longitudinally displaced from a second contact area of said lower flange surface engaged by said at least one lower protrusion such that said first and second contact areas do not vertically oppose one another.

23. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 22, wherein:

said at least one upper protrusion includes first and second upper protrusions respectively positioned proximate said front plate and said back plate, said first and second upper protrusions each having:

a protrusion vertical edge configured as said outer substantially vertically extending edge engaging said inner spanning surface along a direction extending upward from said upper flange surface so as to position said inner spanning member surface displaced from said side plate surface; and

protrusion top edges which extend laterally outward from respective ones of said first and second side plate outer surfaces;

each of said first and second side plates have upper plate portions that extend longitudinally along top edges of said first and second side plate outer surfaces and

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laterally outward from said top edges of said first and second side plate outer surfaces so as to form outward extending top surfaces each having an top surface outer edge extending parallel and opposed to said top edges of said first and second side plate outer surfaces; and

each of said upper plate portions interconnects said protrusion top edges of said first and second upper protrusions on a respective one of said first and second side plate outer surfaces.

24. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 23, wherein:

each of said first and second side plates have a folded down plate portion that extends downward from said outer edges of said upper plate portions, said folded down plate portion having ends connected to said outer substantially vertically extending edge of each of said first and second upper protrusions on a respective one of said first and second side plates, said folded down plate forming a downward extending outer surface contacting said inner spanning surface of a corresponding one of said first and second rails; and

said folded down plate of each of said first and second side plates having a downward extending inner surface facing and space apart from a respective one of said first and second side plate outer surfaces.

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25. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 24, wherein on each of said first and second side plates, said at least one lower protrusion includes a vertically extending rib extending laterally outward from a corresponding one of said first and second side plate outer surfaces, and a horizontally extending rib which extends in the longitudinal direction of said drawer body and extends laterally outward from a corresponding one of said first and second side plate outer surfaces and connects to a top end of said vertically extending rib, said horizontally extending rib contacting said second contact area of said lower flange surface that is displaced longitudinally from said first contact area of said upper flange surface.

26. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 25 wherein, said flange member is a solid contiguous plate between entire expanses of said upper flange surface and said lower flange surface.

27. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 26, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

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28. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 24 wherein, said flange member is a solid contiguous plate between entire expanses of said upper flange surface and said lower flange surface.

29. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 28, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

30. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 23 wherein, said flange member is a solid contiguous plate between entire expanses of said upper flange surface and said lower flange surface.

31. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 30, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

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36. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 24, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

37. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 23, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

38. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 22, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

39. (New) A drawer chest comprising the drawer body according to claim 21, first and second sides, and the support member being first and second support rails

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respectively connected to interior surfaces said first and second sides and respectively slidably engaging said guide flange lower surface of said first and second rails.

40. (New) The rail mounted drawer according to claim 21, wherein said drawer body is formed of synthetic resin.